तथा 9.12.1994 को कार्यकर्ताओं से अनुरोध किया कि वे अनिश्चित कालीन अनशन समाप्त कर दें। नर्मदा बचाओ आन्दोलन द्वारा 16.12.1994 को अनिश्चित कालीन अनशन समाप्त कर दिया गया था।

Completion of Birupa Genguti Island Irrigtion project'

*376. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister Of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the estimate cost of the Birupa-Genguti Island Irrigation Project in Orissa;

(b) the target date fixed for the completion of irrigation project;

(c) the fund sanctioned by Government for that project so far; and

(d) the progress made in the completion of the protect?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYACiHARAN SHOKLA): (a) The "reviled estimated cost of the Project as per investment clearance accorded by the Planning Com mission in March, 1994 is Rs. 1,146.36 lakhs. ;

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(b) The project is scheduled for com pletion by end of 1995-96.

(c) and (d) An expenditure of Rs. 8.30 crores has been incurred on the project till the end,of March, 1994. The budget outlay for 1994-95 is Rs. 1.60 crores. Out of the ultimate irrigation potential 'of 8,090* hectare", a potential of 500 ha. has been created upto March, 1994. Tar get for 1994-95 is 2,000 ha.

Enquiry by National Commission of , Women

*377. DR.MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI: SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHA-TURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RE-SOURCi-:-DEVELOPMENT bo pleased to statoir

(a) whether-the National Commission of Women had enquired into the incidents of insult and outrage of women at Rampur Tiraha. Muzaffarnagar Uttar pardesh on 2/3 October. 1994; if so. the salient points of the Commission's in-vesf/'ptions: and

(b) the actiocn taken by Goverment on the same?

THE MINISTER, OF HUMAN RE SOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCTNDIA): (a) Yes, Sir. The salient, finding of the National Commi-^fon for Women is that the allegations of excess, insult, outrage, molestation and rape of women through acts of commis sion and mission,'on the part of the police and Distiict Administration are true.

(b), Since in accordance with the provisions laid down, in the Constitution, 'Police', and 'Public Order' are State subjects the report of the National Commission for Women has been sent to the State Government of Uttar Pradesh for taking appropriate action in the matter. The. Hon. High Court at Allahabad has appointed the CBT to conduct an enquiry and submit the report to the Court. The entire matter relating to the incident is subjudrce With the High Court.

Disposal of solid waste in M"tropoion cities

378:...SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether absence of adequate effective arrangements for disposal of the solid waste, in cities, particularly metropolitan cities, has given rise to serious health and environmental hazards: and

(b) what action is being taken at Government level to ensure that adequate/ effective machinery is brought into being to manage the solid waste and ward off serious threat to health and habitation in urban settlements?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS SAND EMPLOYMENT (SHRIMATI SHIELLA KAUL): (a) and.(b) Sanitation .including solid waste management is a State subject and in turn it is one of the primary functions of the urban loeal bodies. In metropolitan cities though there is a scope for further im-

. *pnavement, but there* are *no* reports *from* State Goverments concerned .about in-adequate arrangements for disposal of soli waste having .given rise to serious health, and environmental hazards.

With a view to strengthen the municipiiiitic*, the Constitution (74th Amend ment) Act, 1992 was passed. Solid Waste Management is included as one of the items under the 12th Schedule of the Constitution. There is a mandatory provision to constitute Stale Finance Commissions which will suggest ways and means for improving the financial resorces of municipalities. It is excected ther with the greater devolution of fnnds and powers to municipalities by Stale Governments, as per the consti'.u-tional provisions, municipalities will get adequately strengthened to discharge various duties including solid waste col-Jertion and i|s disposal. The Central Govt, also assists the various State Governments and municipalities by providing training facilities to their personnel hand ling solid waste management, supporting R&D efforts pilot projects and organising seminars and workshops.

Demand and supply of fertilisers

*379. SHRI S. S. AHLUWAL.A: Wiil the Minisler of CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS be pleased to state:

(a) wherher there has been a gap between the demand and supply of several varicIies of fertilisers resulting in import of fertilizers every year;

"" (b) if so, the details of the gap since 1988-89 year-wise along with detaiis of fertilizers imported during the period upto the month of February, 1995

(c). whether it is a fact that import of terly acrs is also reonsed at in substan tial quantity in the next financial year;. if so, the detals thereof;

(d), whether it is . also a fact that several units of Hindustan Fertilised Corporation as well as those of Rashtriya Fertilizer Corporation which have been lying closed or yielding uneconomic output, could be augmented by modernising its plants involving some Investment;

(c). the details of investments required alongwjth the time frame and the details of the increase in yields expected therefrom; and

(X) the actions proposed if any to be taken in this regard?

THE .MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS (SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV): (a) to (c) The indigenous production of nitrogenous and phosphatic fertilisers does not fully cover the demand for these nutrients. The gap between demand and indigenous availability is bridged by imports. The requirement of potassic fertilizers is met entirely by imports as there are no known commercially viable reserves of Potash in the country. Details of year-wise imports of Nitrogen (N), Phosphate (P) and Potash (K) nutrients from 1988-89 to 1994-95 (till February '95) are enclosed as a statement. *(See* below).

Urea is the most important of the nitrogenous fertilizers which are imported. Since it is under price, distribution and movement controls, imports of urea are made on Government account. Their quantum is the function of the indigenous availability and demand which in turn depends on meteorological conditions, changes in cropping pattern support prices for agricultural crops and other economic factors The quantum of